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**Cc:** Allen, Laura[Allen.Laura@epa.gov]  
**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Tue 8/11/2015 12:15:40 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Intv. Request: Colorado River Incident on The Weather Channel

I think taping makes sense.

They'll figure it out if they really want to make it happen.

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On Aug 11, 2015, at 8:15 AM, Harrison, Melissa <[Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov)> wrote:

They declined yesterday bc it's too early with the time difference. I'd like to suggest we tape something. Not sure if there is any way to do that from Durango.

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On Aug 11, 2015, at 6:09 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

If you can make it work with Shaun, I think he's the most appropriate to do something with them.

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On Aug 11, 2015, at 8:07 AM, Allen, Laura <[Allen.Laura@epa.gov](mailto:Allen.Laura@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hey- Melissa wanted me to give you a heads up on the request below.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Harrison, Melissa" <[Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** August 11, 2015 at 8:05:23 AM EDT  
**To:** "Allen, Laura" <[Allen.Laura@epa.gov](mailto:Allen.Laura@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Intv. Request: Colorado River Incident on The Weather Channel

Laura-will you mention to Liz?

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On Aug 11, 2015, at 4:56 AM, Alison Brotzge <[alison.brotzge@weather.com](mailto:alison.brotzge@weather.com)> wrote:

Hello Again,

We never heard back from the EPA's Regional office yesterday, but we are hearing a lot of criticism from the Environmental Secretaries of several states and the Navajo nation.

Would Admin. McCarthy in Washington DC or anyone else in Colorado be willing to come on The Weather Channel and respond to the criticism? Let me know. We would love to get your side on the air.

Thanks,  
Alison

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On Mon, Aug 10, 2015 at 8:28 AM, Alison Brotzge  
<[alison.brotzge@weather.com](mailto:alison.brotzge@weather.com)> wrote:

Thank you very much. We hope to hear from them soon.  
Alison

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On Mon, Aug 10, 2015 at 8:27 AM, Harrison, Melissa  
<[Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov)> wrote:

Good morning Alison! I've forwarded your request to our regional office. You can expect a response from them. Thanks! Melissa

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 8:21 AM, Alison Brotzge  
<[alison.brotzge@weather.com](mailto:alison.brotzge@weather.com)> wrote:

Hello Ladies,  
We'd like to know if someone from the EPA is available to discuss the Colorado River incident and what the EPA is planning on doing in terms of cleanup.

We would arrange for a satellite interview from one of our NBC Washington studios for 6:40 AM tomorrow with Al Roker and Reynolds Wolf on "Wake Up With Al."

Please let me know if we can make that happen. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Alison

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